

of these tickets. Collections are pouring in, now that the date of the drawing has been fixed on the 30th of Vrischigam. If any specific case is brought to my notice, I will certainly make enquiries.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (Ezhuvas-Talappalli): Are the Government servants allowed to take the sole agency for the sale of these tickets?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (Diwan Peishkar): There is no selling agency.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (Ezhuvas-Talappalli): For the 20 tickets, only Rs. 18 is to be paid. So, is not Rs. 2 a commission?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (Diwan Peishkar): I don't think it is a commission. He can himself take two tickets. That is all. But sometimes some of them are selling, calculating these two tickets also. That is the case in the majority of cases.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (Mulakunnathukavu): Is it not a matter of selling 20 tickets for Rs. 18?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (Diwan Peishkar): Yes. Quite so.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്. പണിക്കർ: വില്യമ് ജോസഫ് നാമത്തിൽ നിന്നു കൊടുത്തപ്പോൾ ടിക്കറ്റിന്റെ പണം എടുത്തിട്ട് ബാക്കിയുള്ള പണം രസീതു കൊടുത്തതിന്നു വല്ല കംപ്ലയിൻറും ഗവണ്മെന്റിലേക്കു കിട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (Diwan Peishkar): Not a single case.

Mr. M. K. Devassy (Adur): Will the Government stop the practice of entrusting Government servants with the sale of these tickets?

PETITION FROM KURUMBA, A PULAYA WOMAN— ENQUIRY REGARDING.

100. **Mr. P. K. Madhava Menon (Narakkal):** Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any petition was recently received by the District Magistrate from a Pulaya woman named Kurumba regarding her child taken away to the Chengal Convent by her husband;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry was made regarding same, and what were the facts of the case;

(c) whether the child has been returned to the mother; and if so, how many days after receipt of the petition; the papers

relating to the affair may kindly be placed on the table of the Council?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*):

(a) Yes.

(b) Enquiry was made by the Inspector of Police, Ernakulam Cusba. The facts of the case were that the child was taken by its father to the Chengal Convent with the object of getting himself and the child converted to Christianity and that the father refused to give back the child to its mother, the petitioner.

(c) The petitioner is residing in Naduvattomkara in Travancore. So it could not be ascertained whether the child has been returned to her. The only information available is that the father took the child to the convent for conversion on 10th Kanni 1114 and that afterwards he left the convent with the child in the night after supper on 23rd Kanni 1114 saying that he was not willing for conversion since his wife had complained to the Police.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ: ഈ കുട്ടി ഇപ്പോൾ എവിടെയുണ്ടെന്നു അറിയാമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. കണ്ണൻ നായർ: അറിഞ്ഞുകൂടാ.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: കുട്ടിക്കു "എന്തു പ്രായമുണ്ട്"?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. കണ്ണൻ നായർ: മൂന്നു വയസ്സുണ്ട്.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: അഞ്ചു വയസ്സുവരെ കുട്ടി അമ്മയുടെ കയ്യിൽ ഇരിക്കേണ്ടതല്ലേ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. കണ്ണൻ നായർ: നിയമമില്ല.

CATTLE TRESPASS ACT—CASES REGARDING.

101. Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the Council table:—

(a) the number of civil suits for compensation for the last 3 years filed in each of the Munsiff's Court in the State according to the Cattle Trespass Act;

(b) the number of criminal cases filed according to the Cattle Trespass Act for the last 3 years;

(c) the number of civil suits for destruction of cattle in each of the Munsiff's Court in the State for the last three years;

(d) the number of criminal cases filed for hurting cattle in the State for the last 3 years?